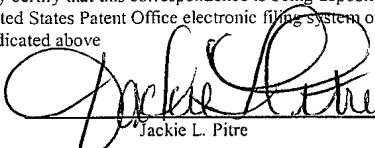


PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/541,625  
Confirmation No.: 8299  
Filing Date: March 8, 2006  
First Named Inventor: Heinz-Dieter Metzemacher  
Title: MASTER BATCHES BASED ON PRE-EXFOLIATED NANOCOLAYS AND THE USE OF THE SAME

§ Examiner: Hu, Henry S.  
§ Art Unit: 1796  
§ Atty. Dkt. No: 5628-26316

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8	
DATE OF DEPOSIT:	3/21/09
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Patent Office electronic filing system on the date indicated above	
 Jackie L. Pitre	

AMENDMENT; REMARKS TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED FEBRUARY 10, 2009

**MS: Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.